



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

**Inventor:** Philip HOWSE et al.

**Examiner:** Darren W. ARK

**Application No.:** 09/736,023

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**Customer No.:** 23364

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**Confirmation No:** 5866

**For:** METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING PESTS

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**DATED JUNE 16, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This reply is in response to the Office action dated June 16, 2006. A petition for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith extending the period for reply. In view of the following amendment and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims**

The claims are amended under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.